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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 27, 2003, at 2 p.m.

## Senate

The Senate met at 12 noon and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, You have called the men and women of this Senate to glorify You by being servant-leaders. The calling is shared by the officers of the Senate, the Senators' staffs, and all who enable the work done in this Chamber. Keep us focused on the liberating truth that we are here to serve You by serving our Nation. Our sole purpose is to accept Your absolute lordship over our lives and give ourselves totally to the work of this day. Give us the enthusiasm that comes from knowing the high calling of serving in government. Grant us the holy esteem of knowing that You seek to accomplish Your plans for America through the legislation of this Senate. Free us from secondary, self-serving goals. Help us to humble ourselves and ask how we may serve today. We know that happiness comes not from having things or getting recognition, but from serving in the great cause of implementing Your righteousness, justice, and mercy for every person and in every circumstance in this Nation. We take delight in the ultimate paradox of life: the more we give ourselves away, the more we can receive of Your love. In our Lord's name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Repub-

lic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 2 p.m., with the time to be equally divided and with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Kentucky, the distinguished majority whip, is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, today the Senate will be conducting a period of morning business to allow Senators to speak and introduce legislation. Talks continue with respect to the committee resolutions.

On behalf of the majority leader, I announce to all Members that this week we will need to complete action on the committee resolution and the appropriations bills for fiscal year 2003. It is the hope that the committee resolution will be agreed to by consent once an agreement is reached.

The appropriations bills will require floor time and votes throughout the

week. As the majority leader mentioned last week, the Senate will remain in session to complete those matters. Therefore, votes are possible each day this week and Senators should plan their schedules accordingly.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ALLARD). The Senator from Nevada.

### ORGANIZING THE SENATE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, in regard to the organizing resolution, the two leaders thought we had about had it done on Friday, but I guess there has been a little bit of slippage on that. The two leaders have met today, and I hope, as my distinguished friend, the Senator from Kentucky, has mentioned, they can work this thing out quickly.

Speaking for only me personally, I hope what we can do is basically what we did last year: Have it the same as it was when it was 51 to 49 the other way. That seems to be the fair thing to do, and I hope we can work that out.

We have made progress on another issue that has been very important to the majority whip and to me, and that is the office space. I think we have been trying to work it out and have the leadership sign off on that. Hopefully, that can be arranged very quickly, which will be good for the majority whip and me at least.

Did the Chair announce morning business? I did not hear the Chair announce it.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announced that.

Mr. REID. If I may be recognized, if my friend would withhold the quorum call.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

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